

Commission Faces Serious Situation---Leagues May Withdraw

LEAGUES MAY BOLT THE COMMISSION; TROUBLE IN SIGHT

Manager of Departmental Circuit Club Approaches Sunday School Official.

"AMATEUR DAY" IS BOOMED

By G. W. SWAN.

The Amateur Commission is facing a serious situation, and while it may be just another method to gain a point, it still may be the real thing, and the first move of a plan to disrupt the present ruling body of the amateurs.

A manager of one of the leading teams of the Departmental League called on the official of the Sunday School League yesterday, and stated that he would be willing to quit the commission if the Sunday School and Northern Leagues would follow. For various reasons the name of this party is not mentioned.

Form Another Body.

The plan of the Departmental League manager is to get four leagues, and organize another amateur commission, and run it along the same lines as the present body is going, only to bar certain men from the organization.

While the above may seem to be a dream, it is a fact, nevertheless, as several motions have been made that oral motions have been made that were in direct violation of the constitution, and that were not even within the power of the commission to act upon, according to the by-laws.

Just what will be done along these lines is hard to say at the present time. It is not known if the Northern Association would consider such a step, and while the Columbia League has been mentioned by the party, it is hardly likely that a league, with the Bankers holding a franchise, would drop out of the commission.

A meeting of the Sunday-School League will be held to-night, when the matter will be taken up. It is also understood that the "Amateur Day" parade will be discussed by the managers.

"Amateur Day" in the Air.

While the "Amateur Day" parade has made a big hit with the amateurs, there are still a few who say that they will not turn out.

To do this, after Manager Griffith, of the Nationals, has donated three prizes, aggregating \$300 in cash, is not showing the leader of the Climbers the credit due him, and for any amateur club to show down at this stage of the game, after the parade, is a disgrace.

Manager Griffith has brought more attention to Washington than ever before. He has taken a greater interest in the sand-lotters than any other manager of a Washington team has. He has given local boys a chance, and he will continue to do this until the amateurs lay down on him.

Managers Get Busy.

Now is the time for the managers of the various teams to go after their players and get them in line. The Climbers have put Washington on the baseball map, and will continue to do so. The "Amateur Day" parade will be of interest to the world, as any unusual proceedings of the climbers will be read with a great deal of interest by fans throughout the country.

So, Mr. Manager, get your team in line; stick with the boys and show Manager Griffith that Washington amateurs are the best amateur ball tossers in the world. For he is doing a great thing for amateur baseball.

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HIS BAT WORKED AGAIN YESTERDAY.



"HOME RUN" BAKER

Who again demonstrated his right to that title by getting a homer off Tom Hughes yesterday, tying the score in the sixth inning.

Nationals' Batting Averages Up to Date.

Player	G.	AB.	R.	H.	ER.	SH.	Pct.
Gandil	22	88	16	31	4	1	.352
Morgan	26	91	14	30	6	2	.330
Johnson	18	53	8	16	1	1	.303
Walker	16	50	11	15	5	0	.300
Moe	20	74	10	24	2	2	.297
Post	27	285	40	70	11	0	.288
Miles	27	220	40	64	34	1	.291
Schaefer	25	118	15	30	10	3	.254
Alameth	23	68	8	17	3	5	.250
McBride	24	188	21	46	7	6	.243
Shanks	29	102	14	24	3	5	.234
Williams	19	35	3	7	0	1	.200
Hughes	12	30	4	6	0	1	.200
Henry	20	84	11	18	2	3	.190
Cashner	20	68	2	8	0	0	.117
Knight	21	92	10	15	4	7	.163
Groom	17	34	3	4	0	3	.113

Bits of Baseball.

Zimmerman, of Chicago, is the virtual leader of National League batsmen. He is hitting .415 and already has made nine home runs and eight three-baggers.

The Boston Braves have offered \$2,000 for Pitcher Griner, of the Appalachian League, but whether this offer will be accepted or not has not been decided.

As a result of his argument on Saturday with Umpire Evans, "Davy" Jones, Detroit's left fielder, has received notice that he has been indefinitely suspended by President Johnson of the American League.

Joe Kelly, manager of Toronto, and former manager of the Reds, is in Philadelphia now. Joe would like to make a deal for Manager Luderus, Fankert, Knabe, Doolin, and a few more of the Phillies.

Ralph Capron, who was a Pirate, has been benched by Milwaukee and left for the outfield. Capron isn't a hitter of worth, for he chops the ball and outfielders are now beginning to lay for his short flies.

Connie Mack could do little with Krause, the left-handed young one on whom he builted hopes. He let him go to the Toledo team, and there Krause is making a hit. Connie Mack, it is thought, must have a resting on him.

Pitcher Cornelius, of the Filipinos, was discharged from the Presbyterian hospital yesterday, where he was confined for ten days, nursing a dislocated kneecap. He was struck by a bat ball.

William R. Armour, scout for the St. Louis Nationals picked up a promising young pitcher in Griner of the Cleveland (Tenn.) team, who will report to St. Louis at the end of the season.

Connie Mack will get another star recruit this fall from his Baltimore farm in Outfielder Murphy, a newcomer to the ranks of possible greats, is batting .301, having made seventy-seven hits in forty-seven games. He is a better batter than fielder, however, totaling fourteen errors—more than the average big league right fielder makes in two seasons.

President Lynch has promised to plaster such a line on the next man who puts oil, turpentine, liniment, pepper, or anything else on the ball that he will be all summer paying it. He says he is tired of the poor sportsmanship of the players who have it in for the spitball pitcher.

Hank O'Day will soon learn that there is another way to the disposition of "Mafans" in England unless his club puts on the brakes and holds fast in the first division. Hank might learn from Clark Griffith what to expect if he doesn't land a winner. Meantime, Hank has Griffith's sympathy.

Manager McGraw, of the Giants, is contemplating taking the Giants on a trip around the world next winter. Roger Bresnahan has received a letter from the Giant manager in which he is invited to take charge of a rival team and the two will give exhibitions in Japan, Hawaii, Australia, and other countries.

There was nothing impressive about the way the Pirates opened their campaign, but that is easily explained. Clarke's crew, like several others, got little or no spring training. His team was in no better condition when it played its first game than when it opened its training season.

Jim Maroney is making a valiant scrap to hold his place on the Cub pitching staff. His job was comparatively easy until another southpaw, Lefty Leifeld, was added to the squad. It is questionable whether Chance will retain two port fingers all season—hence the added effort being put out by Maroney.

The Pirates have done most of their training in actual competition against the clubs they are fighting for a championship. Now, after two months of wild scrambling, the team seems to be "right." The Giants' pitching staff is the only hurling corps in the league that compares with Clarke's "big four."

Capt. Harry Lord, of the White Sox, refused to wait until presented with the Chalmer's trophy, and Saturday purchased an Abbott-Detroit car of the latest design. All members of the White Sox inspected the new smoke wagon of the prosperous third sacker previous to the second game with the Bostonians.

Honus Wagner did not like the idea of being excluded from the list of .300 hitters last Monday, and during the week hit just hard enough to get into the honor class again.

RACING CARD TO-DAY.

Latonia.

FIRST RACE—Two-year-olds; five and six furlongs.

Sam Hirsch..... 102 Rockfish..... 100

Madeline..... 100 Hubbing..... 111

Booster..... 105 Pine Jay..... 111

Miles..... 100 High Flyer..... 111

SECOND RACE—Selling; two-year-olds; five and six furlongs.

King Sealwart..... 100 Spriggett, Md..... 110

Madeline..... 100 South A..... 110

Lady Robinson..... 100 F..... 110

Paul O..... 100 Auto Run..... 110

Impetuous..... 100 F..... 110

THIRD RACE—Selling; three-year-olds; six furlongs.

La Castor..... 105 Floral Day..... 105

Edie Jackson..... 105 Coletor..... 105

Edna..... 105 P..... 105

John Samson..... 105 P..... 105

Edna..... 105 P..... 105

Herbert W..... 105 R..... 105

Fourth RACE—Selling; three-year-olds and upward; one and one-sixteenth mile.

Port..... 105 Cherride..... 105

Shaggy..... 105 Copperpot..... 105

Tring..... 105

FIFTH RACE—Selling; three-year-olds; six furlongs.

White Wood..... 105 Grover Hughes..... 114

Edna..... 111 High Flyer..... 111

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Shaggy and Adams Express, Hollenbeck entry.

SIXTH RACE—Two-year-olds and upward; one and one-sixteenth mile.

Single..... 105 Hoop Led..... 109

Edna..... 105 Hoop Led.....